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Docket No. R97-1

DOUGLAS F. CARLSON INTERROGATORIES TO UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS PAUL M. LION (DFC/USPS-T24-1-2)

August 25, 1997

Pursuant to sections 25 and 26 of the *Rules of Practice*, I, Douglas F. Carlson, hereby submit interrogatories to United States Postal Service witness Paul M. Lion.

If the witness is unable to provide a complete, responsive answer to a question, I request that the witness redirect the question to a witness who can provide a complete, responsive answer. In the alternative, I request that the question be redirected to the Postal Service for an institutional response.

The instructions contained in my interrogatories to witness Fronk (DFC/USPS-T32-1-7) are incorporated herein by reference.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: August 25, 1997

DOUGLAS F. CARLSON

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DFC/USPS-T24-1. Are the costs of delivering mail to post-office boxes lower than the costs of carrier or rural delivery? Please explain your answer.

DFC/USPS-T24-2. Please identify the mechanism by which the costs of delivery to post-office boxes are reflected in the fees for post-office boxes. In doing so, please direct me to the appropriate portions of the Postal Service's direct case where I would find this information.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon the required participants of record in accordance with section 12 of the *Rules of Practice* and sections 3(B) and 3(C) of the *Special Rules of Practice*.

DOUGLAS F. CARLSON

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August 25, 1997 Emeryville, California